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For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING MULTI-LAYER PROTECTION SWITCHING

PROTECTION SWITCHING : WITHIN A SUB-NETWORKING : CONNECTION

## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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In response to the Office Action dated June 30, 2008, the following remarks are submitted.